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PASS DR. WHITE, ADMINISTRATOR, NOAA, DEPART OF COMMERCE
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WILDLIFE SERVICE, INTERIOR

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SUBJ: DISCUSSION OF WHALING PROBLEMS WITH FISHERIES AGENCY

1. ON MAY 20 REGIONAL FISHERIES ATTACHE AND MR. HAROLD J.
O'CONNOR, DEPUTY ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR, FISH AND WILDLIFE
SERVICE, MET WITH K. YONEZAWA, COUNCILLOR, FISHERIES AGENCY
AND JAPAN DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, IWC, TO DISCUSS WHALING AND
ENDANGERED SPECIES.

2. YONEZAWA MADE FOLLOWING POINTS. A. JAPANESE DEL TO IWC
WOULD BE FUJITA, COMMISSIONER; YONEZAWA, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER;
OYAMA, HIGH SEAS FISHERIES DIVISION OF THE AGENCY, AND TWO
UNNAMED SCIENTISTS. B. GOJ COULD ACCEPT AUSTRALIAN AMENDMENT
WITH SOME MINOR CHANGES THAT ARE NEGOTIABLE. HE DID NOT
INDICATE SPECIFIC CHANGES, BUT STATED THEY WERE OF CONSIDER-
ABLE IMPORTANCE TO GOJ. C. GOJ CONCERNED THAT USG WILL NOT
LIVE UP TO SPIRIT OF AMENDMENT. STATEMENT BY U.S. COMM-
ISSIONER AT 1974 MEETING THAT AMENDMENT WAS STEP TOWARD
REACHING MORATORIUM ASUES GOJ CONCERN. GOJ OF VIEW THAT ITS
AGREEMENT TO AMENDMENT THIS YEAR COULD LEAD TO USG PUSH FOR
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MORATORIUM INFUTURE. D. GOJ WILL REQUIRE SOME TYPE ASSURANCE
THAT WHEN STOCK OF WHALES HAS RECOVERED JAPAN CAN REESTAB-
LISH FISHERY ON SUCH STOCK. GOJ CONCERNED THAT WITHOUT
COMMERCIAL WHALING NO DATA WILL BE COLLECTED ON STOCKS,

RESULTING IN CONTINUED CLOSURE OF FISHERY DUE TO LACK OF
DATA ON STOCK STATUS.

3. O'CONNOR PREPARED DISCUSS MEETING IN DETAIL WITH DR.
WHITE UPON RETURN TO US.
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